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of heaven than it possessed before the Reformation of the sixteenth century.—FRANKLIN JOHNSON.

*The Growing Revelation.* By Amory H. Bradford. (New York : The Macmillan Company, 1897 ; pp. 254 ; \$1.50.) These sermons were preached by the Montclair pastor, first in his own pulpit and then in various churches in England. They are warm, vital, intensely modern, and constitute an excellent example of "the theology that can be preached." Revelation, to Dr. Bradford, is by no means confined to the Scriptures, still less is it voiced in historic creeds ; it appears to be nearly coincident with "the spiritual development of the world." The texts chosen are often simply "mottoes," and the last sermon has no text. Perhaps a friendly critic might point out a source of weakness here — as when the preacher, discoursing from the text, "Stand fast in the faith," says : "Without seeking to analyze what Paul here meant by 'the faith,' observe certain truths," etc. Again, he enlarges on the idea that Christ is "the desire of all nations," as if unconscious of any mistranslation.

But the sermons are admirable in their charity, catholicity, and sympathy with the life of today. They deal with many deep problems on which they do not hesitate to avow a Christian agnosticism. "How long will God allow the processes of retribution to go on ? This mystery also is in the Father's hands." "Concerning the relation of the death of Christ to the deity and the moral order, speculation has been common and useless." Intent on practical ends, the writer refuses to lose himself in the abstract. The "modern" quality of the sermons is seen in the constant reference to the results of comparative religion, and to the amelioration of the social order. Their progressive character comes out thus : "Religion can no more be expressed in the terms of the Westminster confession than astronomy in Ptolemaic language." To the traditionalist such a volume will seem nebulous for want of definition ; to men who are seeking to hold the truth, while admitting constant change in its formulation, this book will bring help. — W. H. P. FAUNCE.

WE HAVE received from the publishers, Richard Mühlmann's Verlag (Max Grosse), Halle, a. S., the third edition of *Christblumen*, eine Sammlung von Ansprachen zu den Christvespern gehalten in der St. Laurentius-Kirche von D. H. Hoffmann, 1897 ; 79 pp., 16mo ; bound, M. 1.20. The author is a well-known minister in the university town of Halle, who, though aged, is still praising his Master and working in